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Regents Delay Decision Until Fall

It Remains a Close Race Between Santa Cruz—Almaden Campus Sites

University of California regents Friday delayed action to select a central coast campus until this fall.

However, they took steps which definitely committed them to a program of development of new campuses rather than expansion of present facilities.

This was in formally approving campus sites in the San Diego and Orange county areas as part of the proposed 10-year, billion dollar construction program to meet future needs of education.

Following this action, UC President Clark Kerr called on the state legislature to find the money to build the campuses.

Kerr said delay in final designation of the central coast site — a toss-up between Cowell ranch property in Santa Cruz and a site in the Almaden area — had a two-fold purpose. It would permit further study and allow the regents to make up their minds.

"It's a very close choice," Kerr said.

"The Almaden valley (south of San Jose) still is first in our consideration, but nothing has been decided," he added.

Regents and a site committee visited both areas Wednesday. Local officials feel they gained ground as it was the first time the groups had been shown the site by persons familiar with its advantages.

University officials also were given a firsthand view of climate advantages of the Santa Cruz area. The Cowell ranch is above High street and overlooks the Monterey bay area.

The campus sites approved are on the Irvine ranch between Santa Ana and Newport Beach in Orange county and adjacent to Scripps Institute of Oceanography, near La Jolla.

Kerr said no timetable has been established for construction of the three campuses, which eventually will have student popula-

tions of 27,500 each.

The three sites are part of a master plan for higher education approved by the last legislature to meet the state's swelling educational needs.

Asked about construction financing, Kerr said the state still has about \$150 million in authorized but unsold bonds. He said the regents feel there should be further bonds issued, if necessary.

The university of California expects to grow from its present 42,000 students to about 250,000 by the turn of the century.

Governor Edmund G. Brown last week advised acceptance of both southern California sites, the Irvine ranch only if it would not over-commit the state financially.

Assemblyman Glenn Coolidge of Santa Cruz, who attended the Friday meeting of the board of regents, said, "Now that the regents have narrowed the site choice down to two from an ori-

ginal field of more than 100, I believe the superiority of the Cowell site will become even more evident to the regents."

"The cost of the land and the ease of acquiring the property are two big elements in favor of the Santa Cruz site in comparison to the Almaden. I don't believe that putting a campus of the university into an already heavily populated area and into direct competition with the largest state college would meet with approval of the people," Coolidge stated.

The assemblyman said he was gratified at the section in establishing the sites for UC campuses in San Diego and Orange counties in order to meet the growing enrollment problems in Southern California. "Now, he declared, "the regents can focus their full attention on the south central coastal region where I believe Santa Cruz has the outstanding site in the Cowell property."

Right Wing Bitter Over Compact

By Douglas B. Cornell
Chicago AP.—Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller hammered stamp on a party plan Saturday and then swayed down on the scene of publican National Convention ablaze at last with a secret midnight rally with sure-shot president-elect Richard M. Nixon.

For eight hours that night, the New York governor and the vice president in the seclusion of his New York City apartment, Nixon's idea, and Rockefeller.

Party unity and November vote of New York State were stakes in this meeting of the two political giants.

Out of their political compact platform toward Nixon and Rockefeller, blending together principles both of the GOP gets a new stage at the opening Monday. Their under-

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